

## EPA and others hold public forums in advance of Willamette River Superfund cleanup plan release

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As the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency finalizes a critical report on its proposed cleanup plan for the Willamette River Superfund site, the EPA and other parties are hosting a series of public meetings to provide background on the cleanup saga.

- The Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group, which has been closely monitoring the cleanup effort for more than a decade, hosts a community forum called River for All on Tuesday, Jan. 26, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the St. Johns Community Center, 8427 N. Central in North Portland.

- A second forum is planned for Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m., at Linnton Community Center, 10614 N.W. St. Helens Road.


For more information: <http://www.portlandharborcag.info/node/420>

The EPA will host several sessions to provide background on the public, so residents may engage once the federal agency releases its proposed cleanup plan this spring.

Those are:

- Thursday, Feb. 4, 11:30 a.m. to noon, open house; noon to 1:30 p.m., information and discussion session, at Portland Building, 1120 S.W. Fifth Ave., second floor.
- Thursday, Feb. 11, open house, 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., information and discussion session, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 N.E. Knott St., Portland
- Thursday, Feb. 18, open house, 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., information and discussion session, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wilson High School cafeteria, 1151 S.W. Vermont St., Portland
- Saturday, March 19, open house, 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m., information and discussion session, 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Dishman Community Center


Other EPA sessions, with locations and times to be determined, are set for Thursday, March 3; Wednesday, March 17 and Saturday, March 26.

To learn more or receive updated notifications from the EPA, visit: <http://go.usa.gov/3Wf2B> or contact Alanna Conley at 503-326-6831 .

Other community groups are holding their own forums:

- The Audubon Society hosts an event on Monday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m., at its offices at 5151 N.W. Cornell Road
- The League of Women Voters hosts a forum on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at the Multnomah Building, 501 S.E. Hawthorne Blvd., Portland.

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